

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For : ELECTRONIC ENDOSCOPE WITH THREE-DIMENSIONAL
IMAGE CAPTURING DEVICE**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir :

In response to the Official Action of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated October 21, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on January 21, 2005, the period for response having been extended by the enclosed Request for (one-month) Extension of Time to expire on February 22, 2005 (February 21, 2005 falling on a Federal Holiday), Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the outstanding rejections, as well as an indication of the allowability of each of the claims pending in the present application.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Response.**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this response.